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Festive Greetings from the Executive Mayor

It is indeed an honoured privilege as Executive Mayor of the city of George to extend our appreciated thanks to every citizen of our city and also a word of warm welcome to every visitor whose choice of holiday is the city for a sustainable future. It is my wish that we strengthen our brother and sisterhood and reach out to one another in the spirit of unsurpassable hope. Although we cannot change the world, we can touch the person living next to us and across the street.

Although we are living in trying and challenging times, challenges are not new to us. It is during the festive season that we need to fortify ourselves with our convictions of faith. Let us not only walk on the treadmill of life, but also always be conscious of our sense of purpose and destiny. Let us help one another to move forward and reach towards our tomorrows.

Let us make the safety of our families, friends, neighbours, fellow roadusers and visitors our priority. George offers natural beauty and an array of holiday activities. You are reminded to use the different media platforms to stay informed regarding activities in and around our city. I also urge everyone to use our most threatened natural resource, water, sparingly and wisely.

I want to wish everyone a fulfilling festive season, a well-deserved time of relaxation



Executive Mayor, Melvin Naik

and introspection. May you enjoy the time with family and friends and enter 2020 with renewed hope and a rejuvenated spirit.

Ek wil u elkeen 'n vervullende feestyd wens - 'n welverdiende tyd van ontspanning en introspeksie. Mag u die tyd saam met familie en vriende geniet en mag u 2020 met nuwe hoop en 'n verfrisde gees binnegaan.

Nanga ningalonwabela ixesha neentsapho kunye nabahlobo kwaye ningene kumnyaka wama – 2020 ngethemba elihlaziyekeyo nangomoya ohlaziyiweyo kwakhona.

Festive Greetings from the Municipal Manager

Thank you to all municipal staff for your commitment to service delivery during 2019, sometimes under very trying circumstances.

I extend a special word of appreciation to the essential and emergency services staff who will remain on duty during the peak festive season, to ensure that our town remains running smoothly during this busy period.

George Municipality wishes every resident and visitor a Merry Christmas and happy holidays, a time well spent with your loved ones. Let us celebrate the values of the season, and in a spirit of gratitude for all that God has done for us and provided us with, let us take the time to show goodwill to others and to bless those less fortunate than us. Let us treat each other with love and compassion, caring for those on society's margins through simple acts of kindness. Let this be the spirit that binds us together in George and let it pave the way to 2020 - which will be a time for new beginnings and hopefully a great year for all the citizens of George !!!

In 2020 let's endeavour to find ways to support our communities, continue caring for each other and keep working to be the best parents, children, friends, neighbours, colleagues and citizens we can be. A successful future for a successful town can never be achieved by an individual, but rather the active participation of all its citizens.

Laat ons in 2020 maniere vind om ons gemeenskappe te ondersteun, aan te hou om vir mekaar om te gee en aan te hou



Municipal Manager Trevor Botha

werk om die beste ouers, kinders, vriende, bure, kollegas en landsburgers te wees. 'n Suksesvolle toekoms vir 'n suksesvolle dorp kan nooit deur 'n individu bereik word nie, maar eerder die aktiewe deelname van al sy inwoners.

Kumnyaka wama-2020 masizame ukufumana iindlela zokuxhasa uluNtu lwethu, siqhubeke ngokukhathalelana kwaye sihlale sisebenzela ukuba ngabona bazali, bantwana, bahlobo, bamel wane, maqabane asemsebenzini kunye nabemi abalungileyo esinokuba ngabo. Ikamva

Funda Mzantzi 2019



The National Library of South Africa (NLSA) in collaboration with the Department of Correctional Services (DCS) and George Municipality hosted the 10th Funda Mzantsi Championship in George, under the theme "Building Creative Minds".

Dignitaries at the opening of the Funda Mzantsi at Eden Church in George are front from left: James Smallberger (Acting Regional Commissioner, KwaZulu-Natal), Judge Gayaat Salie-Hlophe (wife of Judge John Hlophe), Judge John Hlophe (Judge President of the Western Cape Division of the High Court of South Africa, Ald Melvin Naik, Executive Mayor of George, Brig. PV Cetyana, Eden Cluster: Police. At the back from left are Ndileka Boo (Correctional Services), Dr Eddy Maisela Maepa, (Director: National Library of South Africa), Janine Sweeney, (Regional Manager: Liberty Life), Simphiwo James (Director of Corporate Services, George Municipality), Cllr Sean Snyman (Portfolio Councillor of Community Development, Sports and Libraries at George Municipality), Dilikile Klaas (Regional Commissioner: Western Cape), Gerty Potts (Coordinator of Funda Mzantsi at George Municipality Libraries), Odwa Mwazi (Liberty Life).

OCC 2019 - 17th Challenge



George Municipality councillors and guests (back from left) David Willemse, Sean Snyman, Petro and Gert van Niekerk, Nomawethu Jantjies and Edmund bussack with OCC participants (front from left) Masibulele Mgodeni, Anda Mthulu, Mabentsela Mawonga and Khanyile Mabantsela.

"Although the city has made strides in becoming a disability-friendly city, we as citizens of George must be more sensitive towards those living with disabilities," said George Executive Mayor Alderman Melvin Naik during the official opening of the 17th annual Outeniqua Wheelchair Challenge (OCC).

He added that the OCC had become synonymous with the City of George and had since its inception embodied the municipality's vision for a sustainable future

and portraying George as a caring city. Ald Naik saluted the people who had initiated the race, which had grown from 27 athletes at the first race in 2002 to an event that had international stature and attracted athletes from around the globe.

"Although this year's race is smaller than last year's due to different challenges, we did not allow it to deter us from our objectives and we remain focussed and committed to add to the event to becoming a festival for people living with disabilities."



The GO GEORGE mascots and communication champions contributed hugely to the festive spirit at the Outeniqua Wheelchair Challenge in September. Here they pose with George Executive Mayor, Alderman Melvin Naik, and popular RSG radio presenter Martelize Brink, whose wheelchair he pushed during the Fun Run. The GO GEORGE "cheerleaders" are, from the left, Amy Bruiners, mascot Slim, Sihle Elefu, Piet Mlocha (GO GEORGE Champions Manager) and mascot Georgie.



George Library Services staff who participated in the 10th Funda Mzantsi Championship are from left: Rachel Williams Manager: Libraries; Eurogine Carolus Library Assistant (Blanco Library); Romarco Adams Library Assistant (Conville Library); Mpumolelo Dladla Library Assistant (Conville Library); James de Vaal Senior Librarian: Branch Libraries; Angela McKenzie Library Assistant (Blanco Library); Jacques Olivier Library Assistant (George Library); Gerty Potts Senior Library Assistant (George Library) and Malibongwe Luyenge Senior Librarian (George Library). Not present for the photograph, Mr Shanold Marillac, Senior Manager Community Services; Xholiswa Kortman Senior Library Assistant (Thembaletu Library) and Francis Moos: Library Assistant (George Library).

George Library participates in 10th Funda Mzantzi

This is the 5th year that George Municipality and specifically our library officials are involved in the annual Funda Mzanti Championship which was established by the National Library of South Africa Centre to support and assist communities in establishing and sustaining book clubs. The project was developed in response to a survey conducted by the South African Book Development Council in 2007 on general reading habits in South African Communities which revealed that South Africa is not a reading nation.

In 2013 the Department of Correctional Services upon realising the role played by the National Library of South Africa's Centre and Centre for the Book in the rehabilitation of their offenders, decided to join hands with these organisations.

George Municipality has been a partner in this great initiative since 2016. The 2019 Championship hosted over 140 bookclubs participating in the Reading Competition in four categories namely: Reading, Debate, Book Review and Spelling Bee, in the 11 official South African languages. The Department of Correctional services brought along 30 book clubs and the rest were a combination of university, community and high school book clubs allowing for roughly 1500 participants and at least 1000 spectators. Ten (10) of the George Library Service officials were closely involved with the Planning Committee and assisted with the pre-planning and logistics during the event. They were ably supported by municipal officials from the halls and law enforcement.

GEORGE
WILDERNESS
UNIONDALE



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GEORGE

1. Hike or MTB over 1.000km of trails

2. Soak up the sun at Herolds Bay or surf the waves at Victoria Bay

3. Pick strawberries at Redberry Farm

4. Enjoy railway experiences from the Outeniqua Power Van and at the Transnet Transport Museum

5. Play a round at one of George's top golf courses

WILDERNESS

1. Canyon through Kaaimans River and Gorge

2. Be inspired along the Wilderness Art Meander with 21 art-spots

3. Paraglide over Map of Africa

4. Canoe along the Touw River or stand up paddle board at the Wilderness Lagoon

5. Horseback ride through farm or forest

UNIONDALE

1. Tour Uniondale in a tuk-tuk

2. Dine at Die Watermeul and Gallery, a heritage site from 1854

3. Hire a hipster bicycle and explore the streets by pedal power

4. 4x4 the M'kama route

5. Discover art at the Langkloof Sculpture Gallery and at Kannabos

EVENTS

7-8 DEC

George Tens Rugby Festival

13-16 DEC

Eden Kite Festival

14 DEC

George Lights Festival

18 DEC

George NMU Street Mile

19 DEC

Snorseun Schalk Bezuidenhout

26 DEC

Elroy Gelant Development Race

31 DEC

Funk Box NYE Festival

01 JAN

Straatligkinders

04 JAN

Red Men Trail Run

MARKETS

10-21 DEC

Ek Lief Krismis Kersmark

10-22 DEC

Outeniqua Kersmark

16-21 DEC

Boerevintage Gift Market

Every Sat

Outeniqua Farmers Market

Every Fri

Milkwood Village Night Market



Waboomskraal Thusong wins

George Municipality shone at the 20 Year Anniversary of the Thusong Service Centre Programme which was organised by the Government Communication Information Systems (GCIS) and Western Cape Department of Local Government where the Waboomskraal Thusong Service Centre was named 1st Runner-up 2019: Outstanding Satellite.

Mr Siphiwo James: Director: Corporate Services, said for George Municipality to be recognised nationally amongst all

municipalities in a top position means we are meeting high standards of service delivery and doing more than is required. He applauded Mr Attie Lewie, Manager: Waboomskraal Thusong Centre and Mr Peter Noble: Manager: Client Services who are managing the centre. Cllr Jacquiquie Von Brandis, Portfolio Councillor for Corporate Services, also congratulated the officials on a job well done.



Mr Siphiwo James: Director: Corporate Services (left) with Mr Attie Lewie, Manager: Waboomskraal Thusong Centre with the accolade the Waboomskraal Thusong Service Centre received. Cllr Jacquiquie Von Brandis, Portfolio Councillor for Corporate Services and Mr Peter Noble: Manager: Client Services.

FESTIVE MESSAGES

Speaker, Gerrit Pretorius

There is tremendous pride in George Municipality's 2019 achievements. The challenge is to do more and improve during 2020 and the outer years. Within the context of the Springboks' recent achievements in Japan, I'm reminded of the Japanese word "kaizen". Kaizen is "an approach to creating continuous improvement based on the idea that small, ongoing positive changes can reap major improvements". Kaizen is how reputation is created and built. Reputation is not a choice, it is a responsibility. By applying the Kaizen method, the building blocks for self-development and growth are laid. The Springboks reaped major improvements through clear leadership, vision, innovation and, most importantly, passion and energy. They became and remain relevant, they contribute to the common good and, they are setting an example. What more can one aspire to?

Wishing all reader's a truly blessed Festive Season and continuous, improving 2020 kaizen moments.



Community Services Director, Walter Hendricks

It has been a challenging year, but no different from previous years, in that we were flooded with complaints of illegal dumping taken place all over George. Unless people's value system change, this will be a constant struggle in communities. This is a heavy burden on the taxpayer, which costs the municipality more than R10m per annum. We however remain committed to continue to deliver high quality services to the residents of George and surrounding areas. My heartfelt thanks to all Community Services' staff for excellent work done through the year. All our colleagues should remain committed and assist our department with innovative and dynamic ideas to improve service delivery to our community. We also urge our valued community to assist us in our duty to render our services, especially with refuse removal and recycling through our three bags system (blue, black and green bags), assist us in our efforts to curb illegal dumping and report people who transgress to the municipality.

From the Community Services Department and all its employees, we wish you all the best for the festive season. May 2020 be our best year in our efforts to curb illegal dumping.



Portfolio Councillor for Community Social Development, Libraries and Sport, Sean Snyman

As portfolio Councillor, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody that participated in the vast number of projects that took place this year. To say that the year passed without challenges would be a lie, however I believe that the members in the department showed great initiative and dedication by addressing the issues at hand, head on. As a department who's only measure of return on investment is the lives we reach with the limited resources at our disposal, I believe that 2019 has been relatively successful, however we are striving to improve on these performances. Projects such as "HIV/AIDS awareness", Project Hope, Awareness of Gender Based Violence and the vast number of



youth programs are only a few of our successes in this year. I would like to reiterate the need for more involvement from the private sector and NPO's and other stake holders next year so that we can accomplish greater success in 2020. *From me to all the citizens of George, I would like to wish everybody a blessed Festive season and a prosperous 2020. To the administration within my department, thank you for 2019, lets become stronger in 2020 by working together!*

Portfolio Councillor for Cleansing and Environmental Affairs, Charlotte Clarke

The department has had a busy year and the three additional staff members in the Parks Department have quickly made their presence felt. We have had reasonable success with the removal of infested trees in the municipal area. The challenge of illegal dumping remains a top priority and officials have worked hard with limited resources to ensure that the city remains clean. Constant awareness campaigns appeal to the residents to be pro-active by taking recycling seriously and to act responsibly when disposing of their refuse. The municipality works diligently to keep our town clean and green and is again taking part in the Greenest Municipality Competition. The department is looking at ways to combat alien invasive vegetation and a proposal for a budget will serve before Council. Maintenance work is progressing well on the preparation of camping sites for the upcoming summer holidays. The construction of the Regional Landfill Facility will commence soon and the first Domestic Waste Cell will be operational by August 2020. The department has also started with construction of the first platform of the Composting facility and completion is aimed for July 2020. *My best wishes for the holidays and a prosperous New Year. May the holiday season bring only happiness, peace and joy to you and your loved ones and a huge thankyou to all our Officials for their hard work during the year.*

Electro-technical Services Acting Director, Paul Gerber

Yet another year is almost concluded. It has been a year of contrasts. While the Fourth Industrial Resolution is discussed at professional gatherings, families with no electricity in their shacks connect themselves illegally, putting the lives of innocent children at risk. Most of the successes of the past year have been over shadowed by the electrocution of 2 children - both by way of illegal connections. Two further challenges on the horizon are the balancing of smaller budgets against an increased work load and accessing sustainable energy resources at reasonable prices. The unexpected recent load shedding has had devastating negative effects on an already fragile economy. Setting goals to ourselves is important, but working hard at achieving them is even more important. Now is a good time for the true leaders in our midst to set the goals correctly and to manage achieving of the same. *I wish all residents of George, but especially the hard-working staff of the Electro-Technical Directorate, a peaceful festive season.*



Portfolio Councillor for Electro-technical Services, Edmund Bussack

2019 was 'n baie uitdagende jaar maar ten spyte daarvan was



daar geslaagde pogings tot dienslewering in die gemeenskap en voltooiing van kapitale projekte. Na afloop van die geouditeerde verslag vanaf NERSA is ek trots op die personeel van Elektrotegnies vir wat hulle vermag het veral onder baie druk. Nog 'n hoogtepunt was die bewusmakingsveldtog waartydens die "World of Tomorrow" fees geloods was – dit was 'n reuse sukses en wil ek ook al die skole bedank vir hul betrokkenheid. One of the biggest challenges we are facing is that of illegal connections and the subsequent loss of municipal assets as well as human life. The department will continue to work with the SAPS to find alternatives to combat this crime. Hartlike dank aan al die rolspeleers, insluitende ons personeel, vir hul samewerking ter bevordering van dienslewering in 2019. *Ek verhou ook alle besoekers aan George welkom, trou dat u ons pragtige stad sal geniet. Mag u 'n Geseënde Kersfees en Voorspoedige 2020 beleef.*

Corporate Services Director, Siphiwo James

Corporate Services as the embryo of the organisation, managed to make strides in various leadership and operational areas. The cohesive leadership of our Portfolio Councillors and administration have set specific achievable objectives for the Directorate. Some of the areas include but not limited to – "be the change you want to see". This style of leadership is intended to lead by example. The cohesive leadership that presented as a united responsible leadership set the foundation for all to follow. This was further presented in the Directorate Strategic Session that set the following goals:

1. Establishment of digital support section to enhance service delivery and to measure the standard of services as well,
2. To break the backbone of the elephant called TASK that is the cause of the drop of staff morale,
3. Rotation of Area Offices to residential areas to enhance service delivery,
4. HR roadshows to educate our personnel about applicable policies and standard of behaviour.

It is for this reason that the journey with our staff must be appreciated, their hard work must be acknowledged and their toil is what brought us this far. To all our staff members we say thank you, you are game.



Portfolio Councillor for Corporate Services, Jacquiquie Von Brandis

I would like to start and thank our director Mr James and the personnel of the Corporate Services section. The department has worked so hard to make it possible to achieve so much this year, laying a strong foundation for 2020. We achieved a National Award for Best Satellite Thusong Service Centre. Thusong Service Centres are meant to bring one stop services centres to the community. We have upgraded the community hall facilities in Touwsrante, Thembaletu Zone 9, Thembaletu Thusong, Parkdene, Lawaakamp, Conville, Rosemore and our Civic Centre. This is just the start as we are in the process of replacing the Pacaltsdorp floor and doing a facelift in Uniondale and Haarlem. We are also the only municipality streaming our Council meetings via YouTube to ensure an open and transparent government, while also ensuring effective translation for all of our standing committees. *I want to thank all our residents for their support in us, and wish all residents and visitors a festive season.*



Portfolio Councillor for Human Resources, Nosicelo Mbete

Human Resources was the catalyst that was armed with strategies, methods and tactics to use our human capital to achieve success. Our Human Resources department which deals with our human capital and is better known as the goose that lays the golden egg - can boast about the following for this year:

1. Recruitment and Selection: a record of 132 vacant budgeted posts were successfully completed over a period of thirty-eight (38) days,
2. Organisational Structure: Sessions were held with all of the Directorates to review their micro structures in line with operational functioning,
3. An element inhouse known as TASK EVALUATION of lower level positions (T3 – T13) that were last evaluated in 2008/9, was attended to and 60 percent of the posts were finalised,
4. Enhancing the staff morale; an EAP exhibition that was introduced was a huge success.

The areas highlighted above are a start of a journey towards the required paradigm shift and we wish to thank our personnel for their hard work.



Acting Chief Financial Officer, Leon Wallace

We are fast nearing the end of 2019! And the year has flown by as we race to reach our deadlines. The Finance department started out in the beginning of the year having to respond to a qualified audit report for the 2017/18 Annual Financial Statements (AFS) and address the findings. We are now in the 2018/19 AFS Audit process and trust that the audit outcome will be positive given the hard work that was put into the corrective measures taken. A big thank you to everyone for his/her contribution to making 2019 a successful year and for the teamwork in addressing our challenges. I want to tap into the inspiration that the Springboks have created by winning the Rugby World Cup. There are lessons to be learnt from the recent success the team achieved. Their building blocks for success were amongst others a vision, leadership, planning, co-operation and teamwork, belief in each other, responsibility, creativity, hard work, trust and faith. We trust that moving forward together we will focus on our clear vision of serving our community by providing basic services. Looking ahead to 2020 where we as a team can endeavour to "up our game" and improve on our service delivery. #BetterTogether. *I want to wish the Finance personnel and their families a peaceful festive season. See you in good health and spirit next year!*



Portfolio Councillor for Finance, Daniel Cronje

George Municipality has succeeded in practising, incorporating and institutionalising the principles and procedures to maintain fiscal discipline and stability. The municipality is financially sound and financially managed as one of the top 5 in the country, of which we can be very proud of. The challenge is to maintain our high level of fiscal discipline and stability and to ensure we stay on track.



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The fact that we lost our clean audit status in 2017/2018 was a huge disappointment but we need to sort out the technical issues which cost us our clean audit.

Each and everyone must lift their performance bar to the next level and keep focussing on our main goal of service delivery and create a business of which we all can be proud of. We need to make a mind shift and try to do things smarter and better in all of the directorates and work like a team.

It was an honour and privilege to be part of the George Municipality and specifically the Finance Department in 2019. The dedication, commitment, leadership and hard work of all the staff in this department is something to be proud of and I want to thank each and every staff member in the department.

May you all have a wonderful festive season and enjoy the time with your families and friends. Take care and drive safely and may God bless you all.

Planning and Development, Acting Director Delia Power

The urban environment remains a fascinating, complex organism and is subject to constant evolution. The interventions required to manage these changes are beautifully described in the 'State of South African Cities Report' of 2016 as 'a multi-dimensional open-ended fluid process of change, organically linked to the past, present and future.'

This past year has been both challenging and exciting. It has been my privilege to manage this directorate alongside a team of committed managers with equally committed staff, all to whom I owe a debt of gratitude. As our staff complement has not increased over the past year we have actively sought solutions in our operations to improve our efficiency.

Valuable relationships have been forged with partners in the private sector and other spheres of government that enabled us to learn from best practices and leverage capacity toward improvement of the quality of service rendered to the construction and trade industry.

These partners are equally as passionate about our city, equally as passionate about its people and equally as passionate about balancing the needs of the city with the natural environment, as we are.

We are witness to the escalating growth in our City and the production in our Building Control Office continues to rise and with the prospect of appointment of additional staff we are making great strides in improving our service in the coming year.

As a directorate we are currently reviewing our processes, structure and by-laws to achieve greater efficiency.

The heart of a city and its' environment is not in the buildings, the streets or even the capital that flows through its systems.

The heart of a city is the community that occupy its spaces and this community has a part to play in creating safe and quality living environments.

In addition to peace, true joy and belonging, my sincere hope is that we as a community will embrace our diversity and cultivate appreciation for the beauty that surrounds us. We are privileged to live in this magnificent city, a gift to adore this festive season!

Portfolio Councillor for Planning and Development, Raybin Figlad

Time has a funny way of forcing us to reflect on what we have done in the recent past and for some with joyful memories we recall those events as we

celebrate success in life, while others reflect on more unpleasant memories such as the loss of a loved one or a tragic event.

It is in these times that we often find ourselves to be grateful for what we have achieved, and acknowledge that in the difficult times we might have faced in 2019, that indeed, a divine creator has worked in mysterious ways. To the staff in the Spatial Planning Department allow me to thank you, and to express my biggest gratitude to you all, for the manner in which you conduct yourself and deliver service of outstanding value to the public. I know that this often happens under very stressful conditions, but yet you somehow find a way to succeed. The year was by no means without challenges for us, but together we have made the best of what was in front of us. To our clients who we render a service to, thank you for allowing us to be of service to you and be assured that in 2020 we will return afresh and ready to improve on the standards we have set. The nature of the service that the Spatial Planning Department renders rely greatly on excellent working relationships with other directorates within the municipality. To all of these directorates, a big thank you as our success are rooted in our professional working relationships with you all.

To those who celebrate the birth of Christ, may this be a time for us to renew our gratefulness to God and thank Him for sending His only Son to redeem the world. It is with fond memories that we close the curtain down on 2019 and with much hope and dreams that we welcome 2020 and trust that we will enjoy a new year filled with prosperity and success.

Portfolio Councillor for Strategic Services, Iona Kritzinger

Hier kom ons alweer te staan voor die einde van nog 'n jaar, 2019 het waarlik verby gevlieg en 2020 is om die draai.

Hierdie was waarlik 'n jaar vol uitdagings, soos elke ander jaar, met hoogte en laagte punte. Ons is ook alweer oppad na die 'silly season' met besoekers en vakansiegangers net waar jy kyk. Kom ons hanteer hierdie kuiergaste soos 'royalty', maak hulle verblyf in ons dorp aangenaam en onvergeetlik en sien toe dat hulle te alle tye veilig is in ons dorp. Ons wil graag sien dat hulle weer en weer terug kom. Ek wil vra dat ons elkeen 'n hand sal uitsteek na mekaar, dat ons sal uitreik na die wat ons so nodig het, dat ons mekaar sal ondersteun en bystaan, dat ons met mekaar sal deel waar daar 'n behoefte is, dit is immers 'n tyd van welwillendheid, van omgee en lief hê.

Ek wil van die geleentheid gebruik maak om al die wonderlike mense van George te bedank vir hulle bydrae tot ons dorp se sukses, vir alles wat ons inwoners vir ander mense doen, vir die omgee en ondersteuning aan die wat dit so nodig het.

Mag Jesus in hierdie tyd van Vrede met elkeen van u wees en 2020 net voorspoed en vreugde vir elkeen bring.

Human Settlements, Director Charles Lubbe

The Human Settlements Directorate has made great strides in realizing their objectives for 2019 by expediting several housing projects, both in the BNG and Affordable Housing spheres.

The first phase of the top structures of the UISP Project is progressing well. To date 667 houses have been completed with the remaining 33 to be constructed in the near future.

The Golden Valley Housing project is under construction with an estimated 140 top structures being built.

The appointed contractors are actively implementing services for the sites at the Metro Grounds Housing Project and building of the top structures will commence in the latter part of 2020.

Rosedale Erf 325 Phase 1, the FLISP houses in the Affordable Housing Market, has been completed and will be ready for occupation towards the middle of 2020. The additional BNG Phases are under construction. In September 2019, in conjunction with Western Cape Department Human Settlements, the George Municipality embarked on its first Housing Demand Drive Project. George was chosen as the pilot for this auspicious event to enable the updating and registration of residents on the George Housing Waiting List. Over 1650 new applications and 1350 updates have been captured. Ensuring your details are up to date on the Housing Waiting List enables the department to be able to contact you when housing opportunities arise. We urge our communities to ensure that they have registered on the housing waiting list to enable them to access our housing opportunity in the future.

I would like to thank all of the directorates officials for their ongoing dedication and commitment to their work, may you all have a blessed festive season.

Portfolio Councillor for Human Settlements, David Willemse

2019 has seen a flurry of activity within the Directorate Human Settlements and our vision, to expedite housing opportunities and work in conjunction with the Provincial Department Human Settlements to improve the quality of living of our informal as well as our backyard dwellers is on track. Several neighbourhoods within our communities are witnessing housing developments fruition and it is only a matter of time before our prospective beneficiaries take occupancy of their new homes. Our Affordable Housing Readiness Open Day in February 2019 enabled us to gain valuable information on our demography and the housing typology required for the community. This crucial data has led the Directorate to investigate and actively expedite the future of Social Housing within its district.

Social Housing, by definition, is a rental housing option which requires institutionalised management, which is provided by accredited Social Housing Institutions in designated restructuring zones. The primary intention of the Social Housing Act is to deliver affordable, state subsidised rental housing targeted at low to medium income groups. The resolve of Social Housing is to contribute to the national priority of restructuring South African society in order to address structural economic, social and spatial dysfunctionality. The crucial objective of urban restructuring is to create sustainable human settlements.

I want to take this opportunity to wish our residents a blessed and safe festive season.

Protection Services Director, Steven Erasmus

I was once again reminded over the past year that no matter what position we hold and what tasks we are responsible for, we must never lose sight of the fact that we are public servants and that we should not be deemed worthy of the office we hold if we cannot serve the citizens of George with excellence.

We should wake up in the morning and ask ourselves how we can make a difference, how we can put a smile on someone's face,

how can we improve our community's living conditions and how we can make our world a better place. Sometimes we hear the privileged complaining about their dissatisfaction, the economy etc., not realizing that there are many families who are in a far worse position, who lack the basic necessities in life. Even if we do not have the financial means to assist the disadvantaged or even people close to us, we can always do that which money cannot buy, which anyway matters most!!!

It costs nothing to lend someone our ear and just listen, reach out to those who need advice or just speak a word of kindness. One of the most life changing books I ever read teaches that humanity should not hold grudges, be slow to anger and be quick to forgive. Life is too short to dwell on the past and focus on the mistakes of others. Laughter and joy is a choice and so is crying and despair. We only have one opportunity to live life and we should live it to the full. *I wish to sincerely thank all our staff, management and Council for their commitment and hard work during the year. May you, your loved ones, every citizen of George and all our holiday-makers have a blessed Christmas and remember the true meaning and purpose of this special day when we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the son of the most high God.*

Portfolio Councillor for Protections Services, Cecil Noble

The year 2019 has been a very challenging year in all aspects for the Protection Services Directorate. The directorate includes a number of departments namely, the Anti-Land Invasion section, Fleet Management, Law Enforcement, Traffic Department, GIPTN (George Integrated Public Transport) and Emergency Services (George Fire Brigade). Each of these departments consists of their own dynamics and challenges. This is a directorate that deals directly with all the different communities, each in their own field. As the portfolio councillor, I am very proud of the men and women in this department. People who put their lives on the line on a daily basis in order for George to be safe, and secure. Each department makes a valuable contribution towards our communities.

Fleet Management: This section is crucial towards the maintenance of our fleet of vehicles. The vehicles that are so well kept, are the tools which our other sections, as well as the other departments in the municipality, use to deliver services on a daily basis. We are proud of this section in its role of keeping the wheels of the municipality moving.

Anti-Land Invasion: The staff in this section do a very good job under difficult circumstances. Anti-Land Invasion must control any type of illegal invasions on public property which sometimes requires the physical removal of illegal occupants which is dangerous.

Law Enforcement: This section deals with the enforcement of municipal by-laws, for example illegal dumping a stubborn problem that all departments involved are addressing where possible. This section is also facing various staffing shortages which will be addressed in the upcoming year in order to enhance its service delivery.

George Fire Department: We are all well familiar with the fire department and its functions and thank our personnel for their dedicated service.

George Integrated Public Transport (GIPTN): This is a new section that has joined the directorate of protection services. We are happy and proud to house this section as it deals with transporting our

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communities cost effectively and safely. **Traffic Department:** We are all very familiar with the workings of the traffic department. The traffic wardens that were able to obtain their traffic diplomas successfully, is a success story on it's own. Through all the challenges we are positive on their progress. *As the portfolio councillor I wish everyone in the directorate a happy Christmas. A safe Christmas full of joy and happiness. May God guide us all safely through to the new year.*

Civil Engineering Services Director, Regenal Wesso

It is a VUCA world that we live in. VUCA stands for Volatile, Uncertain, Complex and Ambiguous and has its origins in the American military but gained popularity in management sciences the past number of years. **Volatile** referring to the rate at which things continuously change and the unpredictable nature thereof. **Uncertain**, because not one day is ever the same or ever will be. **Complex**, meaning the ability for one challenge to affect an action and gain an immediate reaction has been replaced by forces and events being interconnected. **Ambiguous**, due to many things having different meanings.

To the incredible team in the civil engineering services directorate, it is a true honour to serve with you. It generally takes very long to settle into an organization of this size and complexity and two years have passed since me joining this group of dedicated colleagues. This year I want to remind everyone exactly what we as civil engineering practitioners do for the communities we serve. We are at the frontline of service delivery and bear the brunt when water pipes burst and raw sewage floods the houses of so many, that deserves so much better. It is this directorate that motorcar drivers confront when their cars get damaged through the potholes and gravel roads they traverse. The slightest hint of heavy downpours makes our stormwater teams jittery for all the blocked stormwater drains and public flack awaiting them, coming from our fragile elderly whose houses are waterlocked. To our telephone operators and frontline staff fighting back tears when the person on the other side vents and tongue lashes them, and probably justified too. To all of you, I wish the most joyous Christmas season ahead. Not because of all the pain you endured throughout the year, but because for all the miracles you make happen every day and without fail. In this VUCA world, it is you who provide passage to everyone going to work daily through our extensive road network. It is you who provide clean drinking water when a tap is opened and when a toilet flush is pulled, homes become dignified again.

To our public, colleagues and Council, Merry Christmas!

Portfolio Councillor for Civil Engineering Services, Mxolisi Nyakati

2019 had its challenges especially with regards to road works and water supply problems. Many thanks to the public for their continued patience and cooperation during the upgrading and maintenance work done. I thank the staff of the department, as without a dedicated team, overcoming most of our challenges would have been impossible. We work under difficult circumstances, in any weather conditions and face numerous challenges with pipe bursts, blocked drains, etc. This department is crucial to the successful functioning of George Municipality and I take pride in supporting service delivery as their Portfolio Councillor. *A special vote of thanks to you the public, who in turn thanked our teams for their quick and efficient service. May you enjoy a prosperous 2020 and may we bring a new level of service to George and its communities.*

UISP - George Municipal Housing projects

George Municipality has with the aid of provincial funding, handed over 561 houses in the Thembaletu Upgrading of Informal Settlements Programme (UISP) over the past three years.

The subsidy application is an ongoing process and as beneficiaries get approved,

the contractors get appointed to construct the houses in clusters. At the Golden Valley Housing Project, three houses built by Makhare Holdings have been handed over to the beneficiaries. PHP Building Supplies have to date completed 68 slabs (foundations) and 31 houses are at wall plate height (roof

height). The Metro Grounds Housing project is underway with ACV Civils appointed for the construction of civil services for water, sewerage and piping and more. The construction of top structures (houses) will commence once the installation of the civil services has been completed.



IERM honours Arbor Week

The IERM Convention hosted by George Municipality started with the planting of 100 trees at a previous illegal dumping site located in Rosedale. The trees were generously donated by the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF) in honour of Arbor Week and the cleaning of the site and planting of trees was attended by a large group of IERM delegates, George Executive and Deputy Mayor's, George Municipal Councillors, officials from DEFF, and other environmental stakeholders.

The Rosedale site was chosen as it is approximately 8 years old and the area has little facilities. Manager for Parks and Recreation, Radie Loubser indicated that the tree planting was the beginning of a multi-year project with the development of the park being undertaken in agreement with residents of Rosedale.

The Rosedale Neighbourhood Watch has undertaken to ensure that the trees and area is looked after. George Municipality has over the last twenty years strongly promoted the planting of trees with a total of 14 000 fruit and nut bearing trees having been planted in Thembaletu and 4000 stone fruit trees in Borchersd, Lawaaiakamp, Parkdene and Conville. Chairperson for the IERM, Bishop Ngobeli (Johannesburg City Parks) thanked the officials of DEFF for the generous donation of trees and challenged the George Municipality to plant 100 000 trees by the end of 2020.

Executive Mayor Melvin Naik hosted a



welcoming function for the convention delegates. "George is well placed to receive this number of delegates from all over South

Africa and we appreciate the opportunity to show off our beautiful city and surrounds," he said.

Ward 18: Support for Denneoord Neighbourhood Watch

George Municipality Ward 18 Councillor Donovan Gultig (right) and ward committee member Janke van der Merwe show their support for Denneoord Neighbourhood Watch with a R13 000 financial contribution. Council annually allocates funding towards community needs that may not be covered via the Integrated Development Plan (IDP) process. Neighbourhood watch programmes across the city have this year benefited from such assistance in recognition of their role in reducing crime and sharing important municipal information.



World Homeless Day Honoured by Municipality

World Homeless Day is an annual event on the 10th of October and George Municipality honoured the event by enriching people living on the street's lives with motivational talks, entertainment and food.

The purpose of the annual day is to draw attention to homeless people's needs locally and provide opportunities for the community to get involved in responding to homelessness, while taking advantage of the stage an "international day" provides.

Cllr Sean Snyman, Portfolio Councillor for Social Development, Libraries and Sport said social development and many other stakeholders will continue to work towards changing the situations of people living on the streets, even if it is only one person at a time. Shane Fredericks entertained the crowd with his singing. **For further details and information regarding people living on the streets, you may make contact with Estelle Fredericks on 044 802 2000.**



The People living on the street local board and other dignitaries honouring World Homeless day are in front from left, Const. Rachel Hendricks (George Police), Sr Loretta Roelofse (Department of Health), Jonathan Gelderbloem (Youth for Christ), Solomon Blaauw (dignitary), Estelle Fredericks (Community Development: George Municipality), Sophia Fanelo (Manager: Community Development: George Municipality) and Marisa Lamprecht (Correctional Services). At the back are Cllr Vincentius Muller, Ward Councillor for Ward 17 and member of the Social Development portfolio committee, Julie Stoffels (Jaicos NGO), Melissa Markgraff (Social Development), Shane Fredericks (musical entertainer at the event), Theodore-Duwayne (dignitary), Cllr Sean Snyman (Ward Councillor for Ward 19 and Portfolio Councillor for Social Development, Libraries and Sport).



Councillors and officials of George Municipality at World Food Day. The beneficiaries that received food hampers are Age in Action, Kidstop Youth for Christ, Seven Passes Initiative, Helpende Hande, South African Police Service, ACVV George, Ithemba Lobomi, Sanca, Badisa, Bethesda, Jaicoas, George Night shelter, Association for Persons with Disabilities Pacaltsdorp, George Child Welfare Association and the Department of Social Development.

World Food Day

George Municipality Social Development section celebrated World Food Day, an annual event, by acknowledging food insecurity in our communities and gave 15 organisations food hampers which were shared with the needy elderly, chronically ill persons and children.

Sean Snyman, Portfolio Councillor for Social Development, Libraries and Sport, shared with the attendees that World Food Day is

celebrated across 150 countries on 16 October. Snyman noted research he had done which indicated that an estimated one third of all food produced globally is lost or goes to waste. "The reality in South Africa is, we do not have enough capacity to sustain our own food requirements and unless we start working smarter with our agricultural resources, we are going to find ourselves in the same situation as our African counterparts."

2B Water Restrictions remain in place - Watering times revert to summer hours

George Municipality would like to remind our citizens that the council decision of February 2018 which keeps Section 2B Water Restrictions in place, remains in effect.

The Western Cape remains a drought disaster area and nationally the Department of Water Affairs has noted the severe crisis South Africa is facing in terms of water scarcity. All western cape municipalities must meet the requirements of the provincial drought of which, most notable for us, is that all municipalities should aim to reduce

water consumption by 40%, no matter their individual water status. Section 2B water restrictions for George Municipality confirm that drinking water is precious and should only be used to sustain and support life - it is a lifestyle change that applies to everyone at all times. However, given the summer daylight hours the one change to the restrictions are that the watering times revert back to 7pm – 9pm with immediate effect. We thank and commend those residents who diligently and consistently apply

the restrictions and understand that drinking water from a tap is a privilege that needs to be respected.

THE FOLLOWING SECTION 2B WATER RESTRICTIONS CURRENTLY APPLY IN GEORGE AND SURROUNDS:

- Handheld watering of gardens using a hose and municipal water: even-numbered households Mondays and Thursdays, 7pm-9pm AND uneven-numbered households Tuesdays and Fridays, 7pm-9pm.

- Mechanical irrigation of gardens (sprayers) using municipal water is prohibited.
- Watering sports fields using municipal water is prohibited, except for golf course greens, bowling greens and cricket pitches, daily 7pm-9pm.
- Filling up of swimming pools using municipal water is prohibited.
- Washing cars with a hose using municipal water is prohibited (buckets allowed), except for commercial car washes.
- Cleaning of outside surfaces using

- a hosepipe with municipal water is prohibited (buckets allowed).
- "OWN WATER" signage must be displayed where applicable and must be proven on request by municipal officials.
- Applications for exemption of some restrictions may be considered on merit.

Report water leaks and burst pipes to 044 801 9262 or after hours at 044 801 6300, as soon as you notice them. Report contraventions of water restrictions on 0800 424 277. Fines may apply.



Sonneblom creche from Touwsrante entertained the crowd with song and dance. Here they are with their donation.

Extra boost for 28 municipal creches with supplies donated

George Municipality grants funding annually to purchase goods for municipal creches as part of the government's responsibility for early childhood development.

The supplies were recently donated to 28 municipal creches. The creches that have all benefitted are Golden Valley, Illegelethu, Iisisiseko, Kekkel en Kraai, Kleinkrantz, Klouter Kabouter, Kwakhanya, Lawaaiikamp, Lubabalo, Masibambane, Masizakhe, Mina Moo, Mzomhle, Nompumelelo, Nonzame, Pophuis,

Rooibootjie, Rosedale Educare, Rosedale Nursery, Sandanezwe, Siembamba, Siyazama, Sonneblomland, Sonneblom (Touwsrante), Zamuxolo, Chris Nissen, Nikiwe and Diepkloof Creches. The necessities consisted of educational toys, mattresses, plastic trays, mugs and cutlery, blankets and puzzles. Often these creches are not in a position to purchase the supplies themselves and are located in very poor areas where unemployment is high, and have greatly appreciated the gesture from



Sandanezwe creche from Thembaletu with Shanold Marillac (Senior Manager: Community Development) in front. At the back are Cllr Sean Snyman (Portfolio Councillor for Community Development), Busisive Bomvana (creche), Martin Norushe (creche), Nompumelelo Mkhonqa (creche), Janine Adams (Social Worker: Community Development), Sophia Fanelo (Manager: Community Development) and Rose Mehlo (Community Development: Creches).

the Municipality that gives them an extra boost by donating these goods. Cllr Sean Snyman, Portfolio Councillor for Community Development said in his speech he takes great pride in thanking members of our community that have taken it upon themselves to be a vital part of the development of our future leaders and role models of our country. "Creches are fundamentally the institutions which foster the love for learning and create the foundation for the success or failure of our children,"

Snyman said. He applauded the early learning development educators who are the people who lay the foundation for children and take time to improve their lives. "Although you are the ones that lay the first building blocks, secondary teachers and professors get the credit when the child excels, when in fact it should be your efforts that are recognized for having completed the most difficult part of the education." He thanked the teachers for their patience and commitment to the children.

Herwinningsprogram brei uit

Die George Munisipaliteit het sy herwinningsprogram uitgebrei na gebiede wat in die verlede nie deel van die blou- en groenskakelstelsel was nie. Dit sluit landelike gebiede, digbevolkte woongebiede en informele nedersettings in wat die potensiaal het om die stad se huidige maandelikse herwinning van meer as 600 000kg te verdubbel.

Die George Munisipaliteit gebruik sedert 2008 'n tweesak-vuilgoedsakstelsel (swartsakke vir algemene afval en blou sakke vir herwinbare materiale). 'n Groen sak vir uinafal is in Februarie 2019 bygevoeg. Die program versprei na, en tel op van, amper 17 000 huishoudings in meer as 40 woongebiede in die munisipale gebied wat meeste woongebiede van George asook Wildernis, Kleinkrantz, Hoekwil, Victoriabaai, Heroldsbai en Delville Park insluit. Die tweede fase is in Oktober uitgerol en was voorafgegaan deur 'n uitgebreide bewustheidsveldtog in skole en woongebiede waar die program nuut is.

Fase Twee sluit meer as 21 000 huishoudings in Ballotsview, Borchersdorp, Conville, Lawaaiikamp, New Dawn Park, Pacaltsdorp, Parkdene, Protea Park, Rosemore, Sea View en Thembaletu asook Unionsdale en Haarlem landelike woongebiede in. Die kontrak het begin met die uitdeel van twee groen sakke en twee blou sakke aan huishoudings. Die optel van groen en blou sakke het formeel op 1 Oktober 2019 in werking getree.

Munisipale trokke tel swart sakke op terwyl blou en groen sakke deur die diensverskaffer, Interwaste, in ander trokke en sleepwaens maar op dieselfde dag opgetel sal word. Op elke optelag sal Interwaste elke vol sak - groen of blou - met 'n nuwe een van dieselfde kleur vervang op dieselfde tyd as wanneer hulle die vol sakke optel. Interwaste sal ook elke kwartaal twee groen en twee blou sakke by huishoudings aflaai wat nie reeds aan die herwinningsprogram deelneem nie om hulle aan te moedig om te help om afval te verminder. Huishoudings wat aktief herwin en meer groen of blou sakke benodig, kan nog optel by die Interwaste perseel by Extension-pad 10 in die Pacaltsdorp Industriële Gebied.

WATTER SAK IS VIR WAT?
Blou sakke is vir alle tipes herwinbare materiale wat insluit plastiek, karton, papier, glas ens. Groen sakke is vir groen afval insluitend organiese kombuisafval soos vrugte- en groenteskilte, asook uinafal soos grassynsels, blare ens. Geen grond mag in sakke gegooi word nie. Swart sakke is vir 'nat' afval, goed wat nie herwin kan word nie.

ALGEMEEN

- Alle vuilgoedsakke moet teen 7m op verwyderingsdag uitgesit word. Moet asseblief nie sakke die vorige dag of aand voor optelag uitsit nie.
- Huishoudings kan (7) swart sakke, (4) groen sakke en blou sakke (onbeperk) uitsit per week.
- Ekstra gebinde bondels takke word toegelaat indien dit korter as 'n meter lank is en deur een persoon opgetel kan word.
- Draai asseblief gebreekte glas in koerantpapier toe voordat dit in sakke geplaas word om te verhoed dat werkers beseer word.

NAVRAE

Groen en blou sakke: Interwaste
Straatadres: Extension-pad 10, Pacaltsdorp Industriële Gebied. Skakel: 044 878 0688
Swart sakke: George Munisipaliteit Omgewingsdienste
Straatadres: Meadestraat 82, George. Skakel: 044 802 2900

WAT KAN HERWIN WORD?

- Papier wat herwin kan word:** kantoorpapier, koerantpapier en tydskrifte, karton (bokse platgemaak), bruinpapiersakke, uitneemtehouers (kos uitkekrap en uitgespoel), melk en sapkartonbokse (uitgespoel en platgemaak) en boeke (harde bande verwyder).
- Papier wat nie herwin kan word nie:** servette, sneespapier, handdoekrol, waspapier, gelamineerde of wasagtige papier, geponste konfetti, koolpapier en plakkers.
- Metaal wat herwin kan word:** koeldrank- en bierblikkies, ingelegte kosblikkies (uitgespoel), metaaldeksels vir glasbottels, aluminiumblikkies, geroeste blikkies kan herwin word en herwinde batterye (by 'n aflaaiplek wat batterye ontvang).



Learners from Haarlem Primary School had the opportunity to learn about recycling from George Municipality officials and Interwaste personnel who have extended its recycling programme into areas that had in the past not been part of the blue and green bag system.

George Fire Brigade takes initiative for Hazmat emergencies

The George Fire Brigade has taken the initiative to roll out Hazardous Material Awareness training to the rest of the George Municipality Protection Services Directorate staff as first responders and technical staff in the other directorates. According to Ms Santa Sternsdorf, Platoon Commander at George Fire Brigade, who did the training, the course is aimed at educating the candidates to recognise the presence of Hazardous Material and or the potential for a Hazardous Material (Hazmat Emergency). The trainees are now skilled to help identify the substances where possible, what to do when an emergency does occur and how to contact the right response for the emergency. "They are trained to identify substances in quantities or forms that may pose a reasonable risk to health, property, or the environment. HAZMATs include such substances as toxic chemicals, fuels, nuclear waste products, and biological, chemical, and radiological agents," Sternsdorf said.

In recent months the explosion of a gas tanker in the middle of town in Worcester has sparked concern and highlighted the risk of vehicles carrying these dangerous substances en-route through towns and cities. These vehicles move with high volumes substances through the jurisdiction of George Municipality because of the N2, N9 and N12. Most of the time traffic officers and Law-Enforcement officers are first respondents on a scene of these types of incidents and deal with the vehicles that transport these materials. Sternsdorf said there are also a variety of hazmat materials being used by the municipality in technical services and staff required updated training for the safe handling and use of these materials. The training was conducted over five days at a facility on the Denneoord Airbase. The training is mandatory for fire fighters and invaluable for the rest of staff to have the skill and knowledge to protect themselves and the public.



Parkdene Primêre Skool is een van die skole wat die George Munisipaliteit Omgewingsdienste-departement onlangs besoek het as deel van 'n bewustheidsprogram om inwoners aan te moedig om van die driesak-vuilgoedsakstelsel gebruik te maak. Leerders ontvang sakke wat uit herwinde materiaal gemaak is en wat herbruikbare waterbottels, inligting oor hoe om te herwin, en blou en groen sakke insluit om afvalvermindering by hulle huise aan die gang te sit.

- Metaal wat nie herwin kan word nie:** batterye, motorkarolblikke, verf- en spuitkannetjies en tinfoelie.
- Glas wat herwin kan word:** alle gekleurde glasbottels en flesse, bier en wynbottels (uitgespoel).
- Glas wat nie herwin kan word nie:** spieëls en vensters, keramiek, kristal, drinkglase en gloeilampies.
- Plastiek wat herwin kan word:** alle plastiek nommers 1 – 7 (uitgespoel), skoon inkopiesakke en melksakkies.
- Plastiek wat nie herwin kan word nie:** kleefplastiek en polisterien (is herwinbaar maar daar in nie tans so 'n fasiliteit op die Tuinroete nie).

EYIPHI INGOWA KWAYE KUFAKWA NTONI?
lingxowa eziMzuba zisetyenziswa malunga nazo zonke iindidi zezinto ezinokusetyenziswa kwakhona ezingangcoliswanga, kuquka iplastiki, iphepha, ibhodi, iglasi nji-nji. (khangela uluhlu oluneenkukacha ngezantsi lwezinto ezinokusetyenziswa kwakhona)
lingxowa eziluhlaza zezenkunkuma ephilayo, kuquka inkunkuma yekhitshi enjengamaxolo eziqhamo nemifuno kwakunye nenkunkuma yesithi, kuquka nengca echetyiweyo, amagabi nji-nji. Umhlaba awuvumelekanga kwiingxowa eziluhlaza. Iingxowa ezimnyama zezenkunkuma yezinto ezityiwayo eziphekiweyo nezizingaphekswanga, izinto ezingenakuphinda zisetyenziswe kwakhona.

Ulwazi jikelele

- Zonke iingxowa zenkunkuma kufuneka zikhutshwe phandle ngentsimbi yesi-1 ngosuku lokuthuthwa kwenkunkuma.
- Nceda ungazikhuphi iingxowa ngosuku okanye ngobusuku obuphambi kokuba ithuthwe inkunkuma. Amakhaya angakupha iingxowa ezisi(1-7) ezimnyama, ezi-(4) eziluhlaza, akukho nani limisiweyo lweengxowa ezimzuba emazikhutshwe ngeveki.
- Iinyanda ezibotshiweyo zamasebe ezongeziweyo zivumelekile ukuba zimfutshane kunemitha ngobude kwaye zingaphakanyiswa ngumntu omnye.
- Nceda usongele iiglasi ezophukileyo ngephepha-ndaba phambi kokuba uzifake kwiingxowa ukuthintela umonzakalo kubasebenzi.
- Ipakethe yeengxowa ezingama -26 iyanikezelwa kwikhaya ngalinye emva kweenyanga ezintathu.

IIMIBUZO

lingxowa eziluhlaza nezimzuba: Interwaste
Idilesi: 10 Extension Road, uMmandla wamashishini wasePacaltsorp. Umnxeba 044 878 0688
lingxowa ezimnyama: Iinkonzo zokusiNgqongileyo zikaMasipala waseGeorge
Idilesi: 82 Meade Street, eGeorge Umnxeba 044 802 2900

ZINTONI EZINOKUPHINDA ZISETYENZISWE KWAKHONA

- Iiphepha elingasetyenziswa kwakhona:** iphepha lase-ofisini, iphepha- ndaba kunye noolindexsha, ibhodi (iibhokisi ezisongiweyo), iingxowa zamaphepha amdaka, izikhongozeli zokutya ezilahlwayo, (ukutya kususwe, ihlanjwe), iibhokisi zekhadibhodi zobisi nencindi (ihlanjwe isongwe) kunye neencwadi (amaqweqwe aqinileyo asuswe).
- Iiphepha elingenakuphinda isetyenziswe kwakhona:** amalaphu, iphepha elisetyenziswa kwindlu yangasese, itawuli yephepha, iphepha elinamafutha elenzelwe ukungangeni manzi, iphepha elenziwe ngamacwecwe, ikonfeti yephantshi, amaphepha ekhabhoni, iilebhile ezincanyatheliswa entweni.
- Iisinyithi esingasetyenziswa kwakhona:** iinkonkxa zesiselo nezotywala, iinkonkxa zokutya (zihlanjwe zicoceke), iziciko zentsimbi zeglasi, iimbiza, iinkonkxa ze-aluminiyum,iinkonkxa ezinomhlwa zingaphinda zisetyenziswe kwakhona kunye neebhetri enokuphinda isetyenziswe kwakhona (isiwe kwindawo yokugcina impahla efanelekileyo).
- Iisinyithi esingenakuphinda isetyenziswe:** iibhetri, iinkonkxa ze-oyili yemoto, ipeyinti, iinkonkxa zolwelo olutshizwa ngoxinezelelo lomoya kunye nesinyithi esiyasuyasa esifana nephepha.
- Iiglasi enokuphinda isetyenziswe :** yonke imibala yebhotile zeglasi neembiza, iibhotile zewayini notywala (ehlanjweyo)
- Iiglasi engenakuphinda isetyenziswe kwakhona:** izipili, neefestile, iseramiki, nekristali, iiglasi zokusela ibhalbhu yokukhanyisa.
- Iplastiki enokuphinda isetyenziswe kwakhona:** zonke iplastiki inombolo yoku-1-7 (ezihlanjweyo) iingxowa zokutya nezempahla(ezicocekileyo) iingxowa zobisi.
- Iiplastiki ezingenakusetyenziswa kwakhona:** iplastiki yokujijela, "polystyrene (inokusetyenziswa kwakhona kodwa ayikafumaneki eGarden Route okwangoku).



At the training on the Denneoord Airbase are in front Denzil Muller, Wilma Ras, Edith Moolman, Nico Rossouw and Santa Sternsdorf (trainer). At the back from left are Neels Barnard (George Fire Chief), Edwin Felix, Ashley Joseph, Buyiswa Biko, Yolande Barnard, Monica Dyason, Nathan Jonas, Samolene Prins, Livime Jantjies, Manie Tyoko, Enrico Williams and Lorenzo Saaiman.

Driver of the Year 2019 a success again

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George trucker, Hendrik Fortuin, claimed the Driver of the Year title during the 40th Ruby anniversary annual Driver of the Year competition held at Eden Meander shopping centre in October.

Mr Fortuin from Hino George won the rigid vehicle category and the coveted overall title, leaving 106 other competitors in his wake. The overall second prize went to Marno Gerber also from Hino George.

He also won the vans (LDV) drivers. Gerrit Saayman, a local bus driver, was third overall and winner of the bus driver category. The other two category winners were Solly Gysman from George Fire Brigade in the artic category and Ciaan Ceaser of Atlantic Oil in the rigid drawbar category.

The overall winner, Fortuin, said that this is the 15th time he took part in the competition and it was the first time he had won. "I came back every time and tried to do better in the categories I have failed before. I also practised a lot this year," Fortuin said proudly. He said every year he brings some of his colleagues with to

compete in the competition because it gives an excellent name to their company, Hino George Trucks. This is the second year that the Driver of the Year competition also had a kiddie's corner. The competition's goals are to encourage responsible driving, develop skills and promote road safety. Drivers from local distribution companies, public transport and the municipality competed in five categories including busses, vans, rigid trucks, articulated vehicles and rigid drawbar vehicles. The drivers were allocated points based on an inspection, a road test and precision driving manoeuvres. Ms Rosa Louw, organiser of the event, thanked everyone for their support and said Driver of the Year cannot be a success without them. **She thanked all the officials, participants and sponsors for their ongoing support: Eden Meander Shopping Centre, African Express, Liquor Runners, Kingsley, Intercape, Eden FM, Safari Braai Products, Atlantic Oil, GO GEORGE and George Municipality, West Coast Fisheries.**



George Driver of the year 2019 Hendrik Fortuin, (middle), who competed in the rigid vehicle category, was overall winner of the annual Driver of the Year 2019 competition. From left are Lafras Boesak (George Traffic Senior Official), Rosa Louw (Coordinator of the Competition), Gerrit Saayman (Third Overall Winner), Fortuin, Marno Gerber (Second Overall Winner), Cllr Cecil Noble, Portfolio Councillor for Protection Services and Joël Junies (George Traffic Senior Official).



Officials and test officials as well as George Municipality officials at the Driver of the Year competition.



Sarel Sampson from George Municipality Community Services Cleansing Department also took part with the refuse truck.



Anthea Louw from the George Municipality Civil Engineering water section, was the only female participant at the event. With her is Charles Joubert of the test officials.

George Multi-Party Women's Group

Female Councillors from the George City Council held their inception meeting in October as a Multi-Party Women's Group under the umbrella of the Salga Women's Commission.

According to Cllr Elizabeth Stroebel, George Municipality Councillor and District Commissioner for the Salga Women's Commission, the Multi Party Women's Group is in line with a national directive.

She said some of the objectives are to engage Council and its structures on empowerment issues affecting women in administration, politics and the community. The women's group also has to ensure gender mainstreaming and equity within municipal processes, and to affirm and strengthen partnerships and networks that support women in Local Government, other spheres of government and civil society.



Cllr Faith Mdaka was chosen as chairperson of the group, although the chairpersonship will be rotated as the group is an informal group. The group are front Cllrs Helen Loff. First row from left are, Cllrs Nosicelo Mbete, Tobeka Teyisi, Charlotte Clarke (Executive Deputy Mayor), Regina Windwaai, Cokiswa Lesele, Liza Stroebel, Faith Mdaka, Marlene Barnardt (Chief Whip) and Ntombi James. At the back are Cllrs Bulelwa Plata, Erica Brown, Nomawethu Jantjies, Buyiswa Mooi, Phumela Nosana and Judy Jaceni (political administrative officer).



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